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## Federation Credentials Verification Service (FCVS)

FCVS was established in September 1996 to provide a centralized, uniform process for state medical boards to obtain a verified, primary source record of a physician's core medical credentials.

This service is designed to lighten the workload of credentialing staff and reduce duplication of effort by gathering, verifying and permanently storing the physician's and/or physician assistant's credentials in a central repository at the FSMB's offices.

FCVS obtains primary source verification of medical education, postgraduate training, examination history, board action history, board certification and identity. This repository of information allows a physician and/or physician assistant to establish a confidential, lifetime professional portfolio with FCVS which can be forwarded, at the physician's request, to any state medical board that has established an agreement with FCVS, hospital, health care or any other entity.

## FCVS Physician Assistant

Applicants who complete the verification process establish a permanent, lifetime portfolio of primary-source verified credentials-allowing quick, easy and inexpensive access to medical credentials. These documents can be used throughout the applicant's career for state licensure, hospital privileges, employment and professional memberships.

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